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2009 Our Part of Town talent competition to kick off with three open auditions

Three 2009 Our Part of Town Talent Show open auditions sponsored by the San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department will signal the beginning of this year's annual amateur talent competition held citywide.

The first audition is set for 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, June 13, at Berta Almaguer Dance Studio, 138 S. Josephine Tobin Drive.

Performers from across the city may also compete from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, on Saturday, June 20, at Lion's Field Adult and Senior Citizens Center, 2809 Broadway. The third open audition is scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, June 26, at Barerra Community Center, 5800 Old Highway 90 West. The community center is located inside Ron Darner Parks and Recreation Headquarters.

Contestants may then go on to compete in one of 10 City Council District shows this summer. They will vie for a \$1,000 cash prize to be awarded in each of the age categories in the final competition to be held Oct. 11.

Age categories are 12 & under, 13-19, 20 & Over, and a separate category for military active duty personnel who may compete in any open audition or any of the 10 City Council District auditions.

"This competition can be a stepping stone for performers, including vocalists, dancers and musicians, who need experience on stage in public," says Parks and Recreation Department Special Programs Supervisor Mona Lisa Montgomery. "In addition to the cash prizes, the shows will be televised, another great plus for the participants."

The competition is co-sponsored by Time Warner Cable Co. For a complete listing of City Council District auditions go to www.sanantonio.gov/parksandrec or call 207-3134.